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A Snapshot of the Farmington Labor Market Area Economy

- □ The largest employment sector in the Farmington Labor Market Area [FLMA] Economy is the Education and Health-services sector, which employs 28.4 percent of the labor force and provides 28.8 percent of total wages.
- □ The goods producing sector employs 24.7 percent of the FLMA workforce and provides 37.2 percent of total wages.
- □ The largest Economic Sector employers in the FLMA economy are as follows:

Table I Largest Employment Sectors

	% of Total	
Economic Sector	Employment	
Education and Health Services	28.4%	
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	18.0%	
Manufacturing	16.4%	
Leisure and Hospitality	15.0%	
Construction	6.5%	

Table II Economic Sectors with the Most Wages

Economic Sector		% of Total Wages
Education and Health Services		28.8%
Educational Services	13.5%	
Health Care/Social Assistance	15.3%	
Manufacturing		28.1%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities		14.5%
Construction		7.1%
Leisure and Hospitality		6.8%

Table III Highest Wage Paying Sectors

Economic Sector	Wage level As A % Above The Average LLMA Wage Level
Manufacturing	50.3%
Financial Activities	13.7%
Construction	10.0%
Natural Resources and Mining	5.5%
Education and Health Services	1.3%

- □ Between 2002 and 2005 The Farmington Labor Market Area [FLMA] has:
 - Between 2002 and 2005, average wages rose 6.3% in the FLMA compared to 10.0% for the State, as a whole.
 - Between 2002 and 2005, the number of business establishments increased 3.4% compared to the state average of 4.6 percent.
 - Between 2002 and 2004 average employment growth within the FLMA increased 1.0% compared to 0.6% for the State, as a whole.